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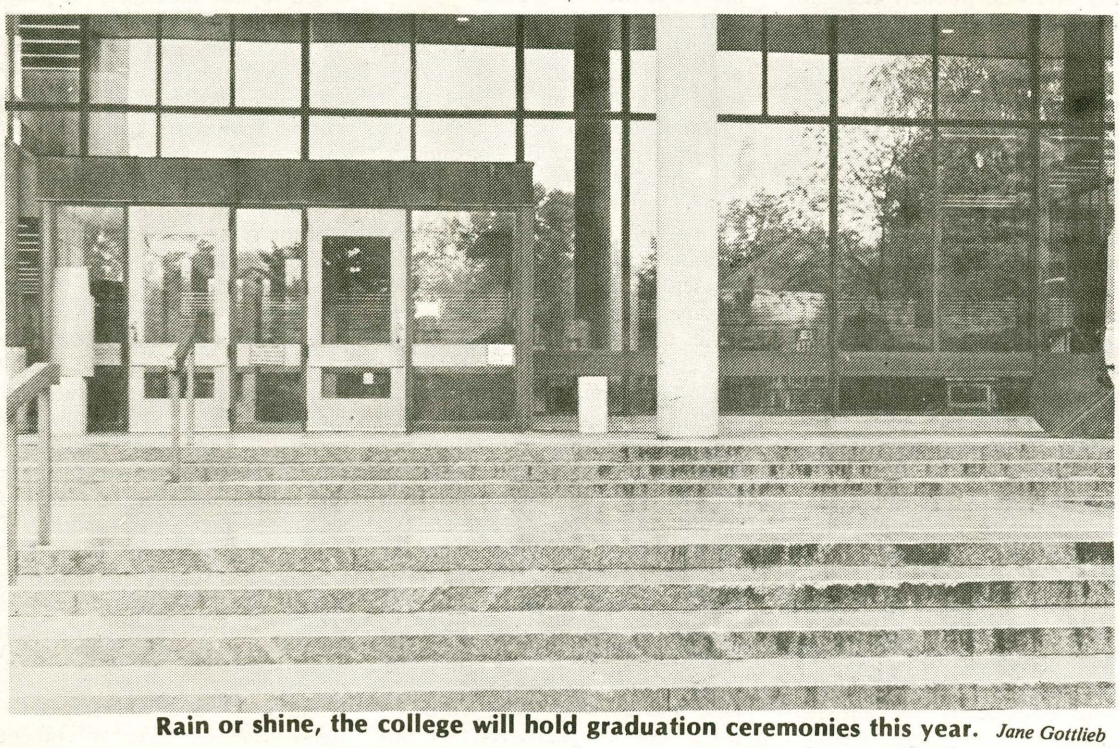

Rain or shine, the college will hold graduation ceremonies this year. *Jane Gottlieb*

Hamilton's Commencement ceremonies, marking the completion of the College's 168th year, will occur this Sunday, at 2:30 p.m. on the Hamilton campus.

Two students, Rich Lee and Jan Sidebotham, both seniors, will be the principal speakers, reflecting the College's new status this year as a coeducational institution.

During Commencement ceremonies six people will be given honorary degrees. They are Sarah Weddington, White House Advisor on Women's Issues; Alice Parker, noted arranger of folk songs, hymns and carols; Aryeh Neier, former executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union; Gibson Winter, highly-regarded clergyman and educator; Arthur Levitt, former Comptroller of New York State; and Robert Leet Patterson, educator and the author of seven books.

Commencement will be held outside this year; in case of rain, it will shift into the Field House. Other Commencement events include the annual Baccalaureate service at 11 a.m. in the Field House, conducted by Gibson Winter, Professor of Christianity and Society, Princeton Theological Seminary.

The academic procession of faculty and graduating students will begin at 2:15 in the College's main quadrangle.

Off-Campus Adler Gets the Axe

by Douglas Sgarro

The Adler Conference, an off-campus forum for student-faculty interaction, will no longer receive budgetary allocation, according to R. Gordon Bingham, dean of student affairs.

The cancellation of Adler, which would have cost about $5,500, is part of an overall effort by the administration to trim the budget.

"The mechanics of the budgetary process," said Bingham, "requires the various members of the administration to be called before the Provost Advisory Committee on a regular basis in order to justify their fiscal requests."

The Committee, comprised of four elected faculty members, two students appointed by the Student Assembly, the dean and the provost, then submit a recomendation to the Board of Trustees as to whether or not a fiscal request should be satisfied. In the case of the Adler Conference, the Committee recomended that it not receive any future budgetary funding,. The Board concurred.

"Though I defended all my budgetary requests," said Bingham, "I did not defend Adler as exhuberantly as some others." Other requests, noted Bingham, such as the continued funding of the Women's Center, were assigned higher priority.

In justifying his Committee's action, Sidney Wertimer, Provost of the college, stated that "It was the consensus of the group that while the comradery established at the conference was beneficial and important, no really new and original ideas had ever been generated at these sessions." Wertimer also noted that the conference benefited "at most four or five per cent of the student body," a relatively small figure in light of Adler's budgetary expenditure. The conference received an allocation of $5,500 for 1978-79.

A group of students, headed by Stewart Williams '81, the present Chairman of the Adler Conference, engaged in an effort to create a viable alternative to an off-campus conference. An on-campus Adler, costing approximately $500, has been suggested.

"Having something," noted Bingham, "is probably better than nothing."

Gas prices jump as parents arrive. *Jane Gottlieb*

Budget: Closer to the Black

by Doug Chandler

The 1979-1980 Hamilton budget, approved by the Board of Trustees three weeks ago, shows a deficit of $119,477, down from $300,000 in December 1978. The projected budget totals $15,553,237.

The current deficit was created when Hamilton absorbed Kirkland College's deficit in June, 1978. "We hope to budget a very small deficit in the 1980-81, and if our pleasant dreams are realized we'll be rid of it by the end of that year," said Provost Sidney Wertimer, who prepared the budget for the Trustees' review.

"We make nickel-and-dime cuts in different areas," explained Wertimer, "no single department takes a big cut." The budget reflects this approach. The Dean of the College's budget was cut by 5%; the Dean of Student Affairs' budget was cut by 4%. Included in these cuts were senior canes, the Adler Conference and a reduction in funds for Class and Charter Day (from $2500 to $500). No more than $500 is usually spent on the latter event, said Wertimer.

Spending will be increased in other areas. The library was allotted $160,000 for new book purchases, up from $120,000. $10,000 will be spent on women's sports next year, up from $4000 this year. The budget for Communications and Development was increased by 10%, from $425,609 to $469,129.

The college will gain approximately $900,000 from next year's tuition increase.

In addition to the increased budget for women's sports, the overall Physical Education budget will be increased by 4%. The football budget will be increased by 21%, and men's hockey by 6%, while men's basketball will be cut by 9%.

This year's budget represents a $948.918 increase over last year's budget. "That increase alone is greater than the total Hamilton budget for 1948, which was $760,000," noted Wertimer.

This year's graduating class will be the last to receive wooden canes at commencement. According to Provost Sidney Wertimer, the five-year-old tradition started by Dean of the College W. Lawrence Gulick will not continue next year because, in the process of making up the budget and cutting down on the deficit, the canes were eliminated. The canes, hand whittled by a man in New Hampshire, would cost about $6,500.

Doctor Carovano Honored

President J. Martin Carovano flew to Pomona College last weekend to receive an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from his alma mater. The President shared the stage with four other recipients, including Joan Mondale, wife of the Vice Prsident.

"You have led Hamilton adventurously and courageously," the text of Carovano's honorary degree reads in part. "Through these latterly difficult times of inflation and public question of the private wheel your vision has been unwavering, your counsel steady, and your vigor undiminished."

"We exult in your attainments and bask in the refulgent glory of the college you serve."

Dean Search Goes On; Process Under Raps

by Philip Ruppel

The search for a new Dean of the College, begun last January when W. Lawrence Gulick announced his resignation, is still going on, but little information is being made public.

Both President J. Martin Carovano and Chairman of the Search Committee Frederick Wagner have refused to make any comments concerning the new Dean of the College. Although students were told by Wagner in Spectator interview four weeks ago that the college should have a Dean "no later than reading period," no announcement has been made as yet.

Two weeks ago, C. Duncan Rice from Yale visited the campus to meet with students. Days later Earl McCormac arrived from Davidson College in North Carolina. The two candidates had been chosen from a field of 231 applicants. After McCormac left on Monday of the reading period, that was the last students heard about the Dean search.

Amidst this veil of secrecy, there is speculation that neither candidates were chosen for the position and that the college is presently looking elsewhere for a Dean, perhaps to Gulick, until a replacement is found. Nevertheless, this remains unconfirmed as Carovano and Wagner refuse to say anything about the search.

Clinton Gas on Tap

by Lisa Beck
and
Molly Reading

As close to 400 parents and relatives arrive on the Hill for the College's commencement ceremonies, local gas station owners do not anticipate gas shortages during the holiday weekend. Though some stations will be closed on Sunday, the area does not seem to have been deeply affected by the shortages which have hit the west coast and major east coast cities.

John Dawes, son of the manager of the Texaco station at the end of College Street, said that the gas problem had not really affected the area yet. Dawes also said that he didn't foresee any gas shortage or rationing in the area. The only change which he had witnessed was the steady rise of gas prices. He noted that since his station had changed from Shell to Texaco, there was a slight price increase. He also said that the station had not cut any hours as yet.

"I don't think it's really going to bother anything around here," he added.

John Baisley, owner of the Clinton Mobil Station, however, said that there definitely was a gas problem because the shortage of gas has caused an increase in price. His station has cut hours of closing from 10:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and they are no longer open on Sundays. Baisley did say that Clinton has no major gas shortage problem, though the rising prices were of some concern. His advice to the public is, "Don't wait until Sunday to get gas—gas up on Saturday."

The situation seems to be as stable outside the Clinton area. A spokesman for the New York State Thruway said that gas stations would be open on the Thruway during the holiday weekend. He also said that he did not anticipate any major problems.

Whatever the gas situation really may be, travellers will be staying away from the road and searching for an alternative means of transportation. According to the Utica Daily Press, Amtrak reservations are up by 50% and Greyhound reservations are up by 25%, more than usual, even for the Holiday weekend.

EDITORIALS

Screwed Again

Students have a tendency to get surprised very easily. For example, earlier this semester, students were surprised to hear that the Dean had cancelled their only school holiday of the year, Class and Charter Day. Then, students were surprised when they learned that the school was planning to spend $94,000 on intramural football fields. They will be surprised again this fall when they find the fields levelled and seeded. And finally, during exam period, students were surprised when they found out that the Adler Conference had been cancelled. Incidentally, next year's seniors and following classes will also be surprised when they find that they don't get canes at graduation.

The point of this is not to argue the validity of each of these issues. Certainly, we've overdone that in previous editorials. However, it seems that there is a certain lack of courtesy on the part of the powers that be. Not only is it unnecessary, but also underhanded to make important decisions which affect us all and at the same time keep quiet about them. Indeed, this certainly indicates a distinct lack of faith and confidence in the decisions made.

Of course, the students are in part to blame for this phenomenon. There were students on the athletic committee who knew about the fields, and the Senior Class President *did* speak with the Dean about Class and Charter Day. What we learn from this is that the students must set up a system whereby these committee members report back to the Assembly, just like the Deans reporting to President Carovano.

Nevertheless, the cancellation of the Adler Conference was done in such a sneaky and underhanded manner that the fault of the administration becomes clearer and clearer. The fact that no one informed anyone about the cancellation, and the fact that the Adler Chairman was told about the cancellation the day of his campus-wide meeting and after doing a good deal of publicity makes the crime of the administration much heavier and deeper.

Is there time to do anything about this? Of course not. When anything important happens around here, it is during exams or reading period. As one sign in protest of the Adler cancellation put it: "You've been screwed again."

But wait 'til next year.

School's Out

At a commencement, credit should go where credit is due: to the seniors. This year's senior class is a special one, as it is the first class to graduate from a co-ed Hamilton. For many of the women who will graduate Sunday, the transition from Kirkland to Hamilton was a difficult and traumatic one. They especially deserve credit for success achieved under difficult circumstances. For many men as well, the merger was a trying experience. Let's hope that this year's seniors, men and women, are able to look back on their four years here as reasonably successful ones. Now they can look ahead—as Alice Cooper says, school's out forever.

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Letter to the Editor

The Stripper: The Other Side

TO THE EDITOR:

In answer to the Deans and others who were publicly indignant about Finley Harckham's show in Chapel:

1) Of course the performance humiliated women. It also humiliated men, at least as much, since such travesties are always a comment on the mentality that enjoys them. That, to a great extent, is what comedy does: humiliates, insults, even "degrades" men and women, exaggerates our poses and makes them grotesque. There are always people who don't like it, for obvious reasons, but they are generally humorless bores and ought not to be listened to about anything outside of their areas of specialization.

2) A previous letter to the *Spectator*, similar to this latest batch, appeared under a headline that seems to sum them all up: "Sex Isn't Funny." Nonsense. Nothing is funnier, because nothing calls for so much undignified behavior combined with such pretense of dignity. Mating albatrosses, clacking their bills together, are funny, students cavorting and sashaying at houseparties are funny, and grown-up men and women getting all upset because some stranger takes off half her clothes are just ridiculous. If sex weren't funny, the comic repertoire of the subject I teach here, English literature, would be decimated, and most of history's best comedians, from Aristophanes to Woody Allen, would have lost their favorite subject. In fact, one line from Woody Allen's latest Move, *Manhattan*, epitomizes the particular aberration of the sexual comedy that we are now stuck in: "I finally had orgasm, but my analyst told me it was the wrong kind." "I had a good laugh in chapel last week, but the Deans told me it was the wrong kind."

3) To me, the really disturbing thing is that these outbursts seem not to be aberrations, but symptoms of a growing national sanctimoniousness, a McCarthyism of self-righteousness. At Dartmouth, a group of students was temporarily expelled for dressing up as Indians; on the evening news, Moonies are storming C.C.N.Y. for letting its students print dirty pictures; Hamilton has been urged from on high not to invite indecorous Mr. Gregory back again.(To compare small things to great, the English department this year felt compelled to re-do one of its exercises so as to bowdlerize the sample sentence "Cressida is a whore" into "Frank is a thief;" so far no one has complained that the new version "degrades" men.) The word "sexist" today is being thrown around exactly like the "fascist" of ten years ago and the "Communist" of twenty-five years ago, and as with those words its users are characterized by intolerance, militant dreariness, and an appetite, a positively insatiable lust, for the chickenshit. Anyone seriously concerned about sexism last week would have turned their eyes from the Chapel to Washington, where Congress was in the process of gradually reinstating the draft, for men only—subjecting a large group of our population to quite genuine degradation (try boot camp, if you want to know what the word really means) solely on the basis of sex. That going on, and our Deans showing their concern for equal rights by crusading against bumps and grinds. Lord.

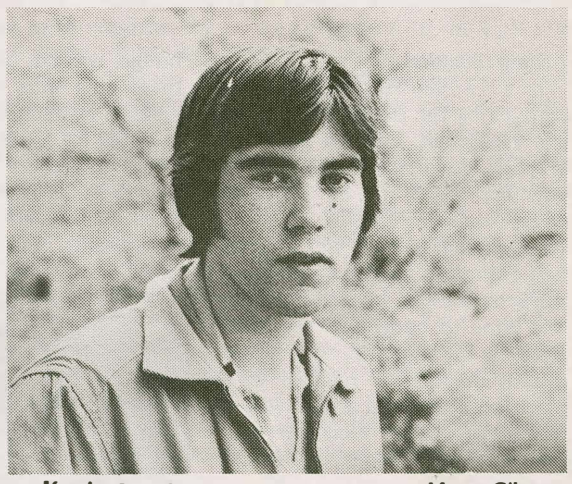
4) Of course, sexual equality is a serious issue, which is why we ought to stop indulging the people who are trivializing it into a means by which they can feel more virtuous than the rest of us. First off, we can stop treating Hamilton women like some species of sensitive plant, unable to stand the words and sights that normal people can laugh at. The word for that attitude is paternalism, and paternalism is exactly what women don't need any more of. My women students, over the years, have been just as tough and sharp as my men students; no one has had to hold their hands or cover their ears. People who continue to treat them like children are the real sexists, of the most venerable sort. We are not doing women any favors when we associate them with pallers, the doomy gloomers, the kind of influence that tends to make one watch one's language and feel slightly nervous about laughing about anything genuinely funny. And anyway, the last thing this group of men and women needs is a freeze on the kind of raucous showmanship that over the years has done as much as anything to make it a community instead of a mill. I hope we get some more Finley Harckhams, and I hope they ignore the Mallvolios springing up amongst us, or give them the same answer that was given to the original: "Dost thou think because thou art virtuous there shall be no more cakes and ale? Yes, by Saint Anne, and ginger shall be hot i' th' mouth too. Go, sir, rub your chin with some crumbs."

JOHN GORDON
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH

The Student Winners

Margot Gilman

Lisa Meyer.



Kevin Hanlon. *Margot Gilman*

The Watson Foundation Travel Grant for 1979 has been awarded to Kevin Hanlon and Lisa Meyer, both seniors. The awards, worth $8,000 per person, are designed for travelling abroad in pursuit of greater artistic and cultural achievement.

Hanlon will travel across Europe next year painting at "places which have influenced writers and literature" such as Dublin where James Joyce was inspired for many of his books. Hanlon will then travel on to Italy and Central Europe.

For Hanlon, the experience will be "very demanding in some ways" but will hopefully enable him to "broaden my outlook on things." He also sees it as "a chance to see how serious I am about painting and art", perhaps as a career. He remains undecided, however, about any specific plans after his fellowship is over.

Lisa Meyer will travel to Asia and the South Pacific to draw and photograph flowering plants. The idea for this came from Meyer's Biology major with a heavy emphasis on Botany. She will leave this September and "go until the money runs out."

Don Schneider. *Margot Gilman*

In the fall of 1977, Don Schneider '79 went to England as a typical student on the Hamilton foreign study program. This fall, however, Schneider will return to the University of Warwick with the distinction of being Hamilton's 1979 winner of the Fulbright Scholarship.

Schneider will be spending his year at Warwick studying the issues of industrial relations, and specifically, workers' participation in the management structure. He sees the year as "a really good opportunity to go abroad and study something I'm interested in.""Every nation is going through an industrial crisis," he says, "and it is conceivable the same problems could happen in the United States...perhaps even in the next decade."

Schneider hopes eventually to continue with his interest in industrial relations combining it perhaps with a legal career.

For Clod's Sake — Brad Coryell

D. Hinkle Revealed

Those of you who peruse my columns regularly are probably familiar with the name of D. Hinkle. His name may also be familiar to any of you in the habit of perusing the Personals section, blackboards in empty classrooms, message pads, notepads, noteboards, notebooks, books, carrells, stalls, hall walls and practically any other surface that can be written on. The appearance of D. Hinkle's writings in my columns and the general notoriety of his personage has sparked so much interest in "the man-behind-the-words" that I thought I mght close out my journalistic career with a brief biography of D. Hinkle and a look at some of his greatest hits.

Little is known about the infant Hinkle. No one is even too sure about the date of his birth and D. himself is pretty much silent on the entire topic except for the enigmatic comment, "I was born at an early age." Indeed, the tale of Hinkle's youth is a very murky one, and on the whole more pages are missing from the story than are present. These facts, alone, are known: 1) D. Hinkle *was* born "D. Hinkle" and the "D." stands for Ozwald; 2) D. Hinkle did not grow up anywhere in New Jersey.

It is at adolescence that D. Hinkle's life begins to gather shape, mass and momentum. D. Says he was saved from the effects of some traumatic pre-teenage experiences ("I was the victim of a depraved childhood.") when he happened to stumble upon a copy of "the Good Book: *Catch—22*. No other single event has had such an effect on my life. I happened to pick up the book one day and started reading...and I saw Clod." The book was, evidently, a lesson in insanity for the young Hinkle, who turned out to be a genius in the field. D. once remarked that the book taught him about the importance of humor in a universe most nearly resembling some vast, cosmic pinball machine wherein individuals are slapped about at the whim of some great, drunken deity, who sends the little silver balls crashing, careening, and ricocheting through a booming, buzzing confusion of lights and bells for no apparent reason and only to fall at last, dizzy and dazed, right down the hole. Humor and illogic are, in fact, probably the central elements of 'the quintessential Hinkle,' and D. refers to the famous "They're shooting at me" passage from the Good Book as the primary source of his born-again self ("They're shooting at me." "Just who, exactly, do you think is shooting at you?" "Every one of them." "Every one of who?" "Every one of who do you think?" "I haven't the slightest idea." "Well, then how do you know they aren't?").

In any case, most peoples' personalities blossom when they reach college; in D. Hinkle's case the event was much more like a high-yield nuclear test explosion. It is at this time that D. Hinkle began ammassing his master volume, *Hinkle's Anthology of Dirty Limmericks and Other Rhymes for Children*, and some of his best work was undoubtedly done in this period. Unfortunately, much of it is also, alas, utterly unprintable. Consequently, I will have to skip over such topics as Hinkle's Law of Inverse Deitites, but perhaps I can compensate for the omission with the following greatest hits collection drawn from the whole of the remainder of D. Hinkle's writings, both published and unpublished.

General reflections from the *Anthology:*

"And what if God turns out to be an agnostic?"

"Great minds run in circles and infinite loops,
And the world's full of fops, fools, and nincompoops,
So if it's this world you're living in,
You'll find it all ever so ever so dizzyin'."

"Modern poetry is the art of confusing an otherwise perceptive reader into believing that he misunderstands something completely devoid of meaning."

"No woman should be kept bare-foot and pregnant in the kitchen. There is nothing worse than cold feet in bed; give 'em socks."

And speaking of socks: "Children are like socks; you should get rid of them as soon as they can stand up on their own."

From the *Dr. Rick Series* and other correpsondences:

Dr. Rick,
Did you have a turkey for Thanksgiving? Try a reindeer for Christmas.

Dr. Rick,
Ain't nothing like a cat on a hot tin roof?

D. Hinkle,
Is it true that anyone can do it, but only an Economics major can do it efficiently?
-W.W. Logos

W. W. Logos,
Your question is irrelevant. Economics majors, pre-meds and other one-cell forms of life reproduce asexually. But in any case, only an English major can do it write.

D. Hinkle,
You obviously are someone who has suffered from a castration complex, but the source of your problem has been removed.
-Walter Ego

Dear Walter,
There is a young man named Walter,
Who dreams about wearing girls' halters,
And this transvestite fool,
Is missing his tool,
So he ought to go hide in Gibralter.

From *The Dark Days*:

"There are times, alas, when the secret of life reduces to this: Hang tough or hang.

And now, before I bring you one final quotation, I would like to abuse this public column space for one minute and make G.P. Teel happy with a little sentimental slop by thanking all those who helped in whatever ways they could to get me through a semester that has been nothing less than a jungle. Thanks also to all those folks who constantly kept encouraging me to write these columns; I hope I brought you a few laughs along the way. And thanks an awful lot to an awful lot of folks whose names would fill this entire paper and who shared the last four years with me. I guess an old friend of mine said it best...as D. Hinkle once said:

"You can't take it with you when you go, but at the same time you can't help leaving a little piece of yourself behind."

-D. Hinkle

P.S., And by the way, I'm D. Hinkle.

Guest Spot — Claudia Sencer

Women at Hamilton

In an educational institution men and women should be treated equally. I think there are few people who would argue against this statement. It is an ideal, something to be worked towards. Some would say it's a reality in some institutions. I have yet to see one. This article deals with college and sexism, my main experience has been at Hamilton and Kirkland, so I use these as examples.

There are many places that sexism can lurk—in a college the most obvious place to look is in the classroom. Hamilton's faculty numbers 149, of these people 118 are men, 31 are women, and 12 are somewhere in between. Of tenured faculty, 61 are men and one is a woman, who received tenure less than a month ago. These figures make me wonder, is it that there are so few qualified women professors, or is there something strange, and perhaps biased, in the hiring and tenure granting systems?

What is the effect on students when there are so few women faculty? A big problem is that there is a basic shortage of faculty with knowledge about women in the various disciplines. This is underlined by the tradition of sending students intertested in studying women, in whatever discipline, be it Anthropology, Literature, Sociology,etc., to the women faculty in that department. There are two problems in this: first, since there are so few women faculty to begin with, their time and energy is diverted to helping students not enrolled in their courses. Second, is the assumption that only women faculty would know about women in their discipline. There is no reason why this should be true. If a male professor does not feel qualified to talk about women in his discipline, then I question the scope of his knowledge.

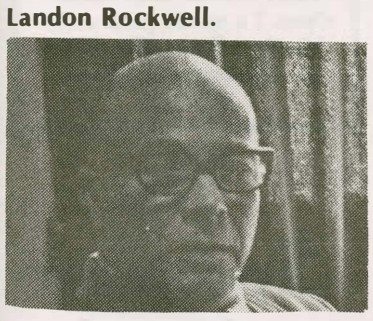
But what of the general attittude toward women on campus. As instances of sexism are many, I will list just a few types to illustrate my point. Probably the worst type of sexism possible in a college is where a student is denied admittance to a class because of his/her sex. At Kirkland, this was known to have happened. At Hamilton, with mainly unlimited course enrollment, this is less likely to happen. But where sexism is sublte, it becomes harder to put your finger on. It ranges from women feeling that they are being treated more as sexual beings than as people, women having to listen to a teacher using degrading and exploitative language when talking about women, in order to illustrate a point which has no need for sexually biased overtones. Women not being taken seriously in a class so that a professor gives more time and interest to the males of the class. And on a less personally directed level, not having a gynecologist at the Health Center to care for women's health needs, and having Playboy available in the library for those males who know to ask for it behind the desk. All these things have happened at Hamilton and Kirkland.

Sexism is part of our culture, and most of the instances that I have just pointed out come from people acting in a way that they have been taught to. This is not to excuse them, but, to expect people to act in a completely unbiased way is perhaps a lot. But what is frightening is when the college community creates new situations which foster sexist attitudes. A blatant example of this is the strip-tease show that was recently put on in Chapel. The supporters of this say it was a joke, that she had a bikini on, that there was a rape scene in a play that wasn't protested. For me, it says a lot about what people here enjoy. For the first time all year chapel was packed. The word was out, a woman was going to take off her clothes. It was going to be sexy, titillating, and a whole lot of fun. Strip-tease, porn films, prostitution, and rape are all acts which bring sexuals satisfaction to men. They are instances where women are seen solely as objects of sexual gratification. There is nothing particularly funny in this. Aside from rape, women are usually involved in these activities because they cannot get other well paying jobs. Jobs in which they are paid for the full value of their work. This leads back to the image of women in society. Where women cannot get equal pay-levels, they are called assistant professors rather than professors; where they are not admitted freely into certain professions. All these things are connected, you cannot separate a good time from an exploitative situation. You cannot call a strip-tease funny in a school where women are not equal.

It seems that if this college really cares about becoming a non-sexist institution then it must do a lot of re-evaluating. Although Hamilton is now a coeducational institution, women have yet to be looked upon as equal members of this community.

Big-Timers Retire

Landon Rockwell.



Professor Nicolas Gerold of the Biology department, Professor Landon Rockwell of the Government department, and Professor Robert Browning of the German department have put in a total of 87½ years as instructors at Hamilton. This year marks the end of their teaching careers on the Hill as all have announced their retirements.

This job has been Gerold's first and only, and he's been at it for 28½ years. Next year he plans to do some fishing as well as possibly some travelling. He hopes to get back to Africa, which he visited last summer, at some point. He stated, "I also plan to do some reading that I've never had time to do before, and I want to continue with my secret pasttime, doing watercolors."

As he sees it, he will have the best of both worlds next year by living near the college after his retirement. "I still plan to come in at 10:00 AM and have coffee with the usual group," he asserted. "Working here turned out just perfectly for me. I met a lot of nice people whom I'll never forget."

Rockwell has enjoyed the 29 years he has spent teaching here, 18 of which he served as chairman of the Government department. He intends to stay in Clinton next year, but other than that he has no other definite plans. He does want to

Nicolas Gerold

Margot Gilman

continue mountaineering, a sport of which he has become quite an enthusiast of. He hopes to spend about five weeks in the Canadian Rockies this summer.

Of the 30 years he spent teaching German at Hamilton, Browning spent his last year on leave. At press time, he was sojourning in Guatemala. During his leave this year, Browning's second of two books in a series, *German Poetry in the Age of the Enlightenment,* was released.

SENIORS

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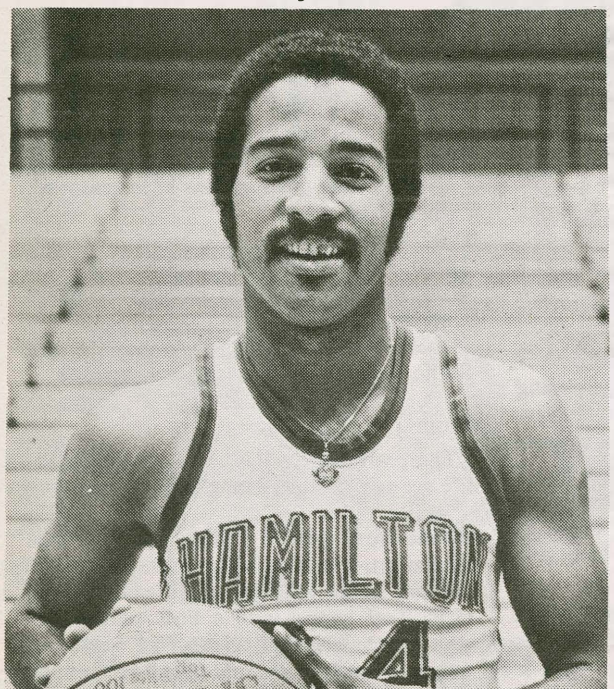
Oliver, Romaine, Rosner- Athletes of the Yea



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Cedric Oliver

Cedric Oliver and Billy Romaine have been named the Spectator's Male Athletes of the Year this week. The two were selected in a poll by the Spectator's sports writers.

Romaine, possibly the finest all-around athlete in Hamilton's history, was once again the top rusher on the football team, as he compiled 338 yeards for a career total of 2093 yards, putting him among Hamilton's all-time leaders. In addition, Romaine tied for the team lead in receptions with 14. Last year, against Colby, Romaine rushed for a school record 206 yards.

Romaine was also a track star as he finished second in the New York State Decathlon Championships this month, a competition he won during his freshman and sophomore years. In addition, Romaine was the top individual scorer on the track team as he was a member of the 440 yard and mile relay teams, both of which set school records this year, and was a perennial individual winner in the 110 high hurdles and the 440 intermediate hurdles, and in other assorted events.

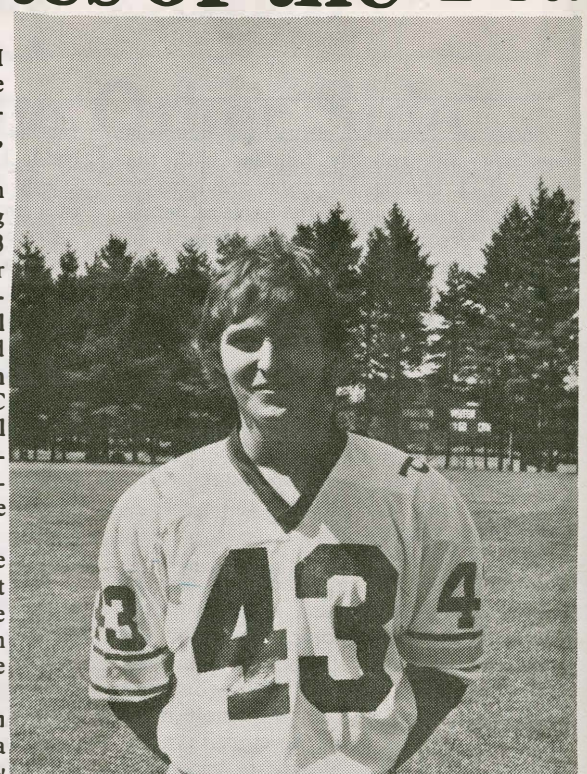
Cedric Oliver is unquestionably the most honored performer in Hamilton's history. He became the first (and so far the only) basketball player to be named Division III First Team All-American three times, and the Continentals compiled a 89-15 record during his career, including 23-3 this year.

This year, Oliver broke his own season scoring record by tallying 683 points for an average of 26.3 per game. On February 27, Oliver poured in 52 points against Cortland, to break another school record. Finally, Oliver led Hamilton to its second victory in the last four years in the ECAC Upstate New York Basketball Postseason Tournament by averaging 26 points and copping the tournament's MVP award for the fourth consecutive year.

After consultation with the women's coaches, Comfort Richardson, Sue Spenser, and Sue Zawacki, Lori Rosner has been selected the Spectator's female athlete of the year.

Rosner, a senior, was co-captain of the women's lacrosse team and a member of the women's ice hockey team and was a key member of both squads. In addition, according to Richardson, she promoted women's sports in general.

Unfortunately, Rosner was unavailable for a photograph, and thus no picture of her appears. The Spectator regrets this omission.



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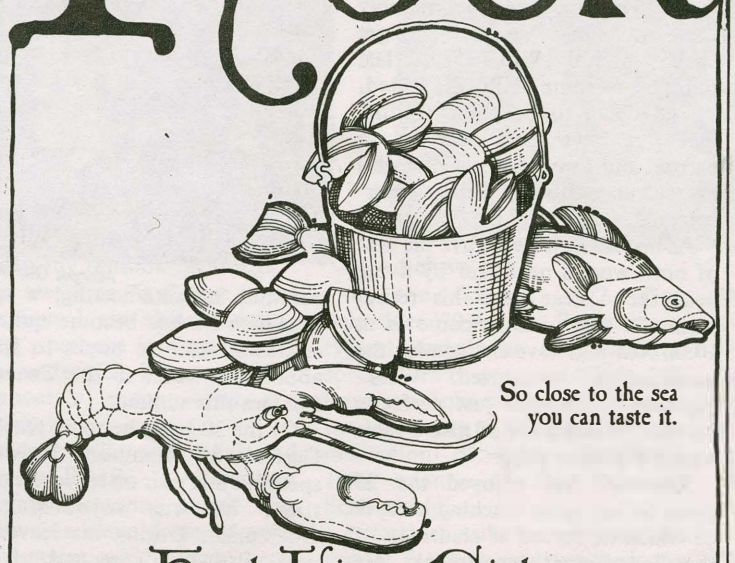

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RICE TO BE DEAN

Yale Professor Decided at Noon

Four Month Search Ends Suddenly

Hamilton College has a new Dean.

The Spectator learned this afternoon that C. Duncan Rice, associate professor of history andAmerican studies at Yale and Dean of Saybrook College, has accepted an offer to be Dean of Hamilton College.

The search began in January after the present Dean W. Lawrence Gulick announced that he would resign at the end of the academic year to return to teaching.

The final announcement has come three weeks after Rice visited the campus to meet with students, faculty and administrators. He was chosen from an initial field of 231 applicants, which was soon rounded down to two people: Rice and Earl R. MacCormac, professor of philsophy at Davidson College, North Carolina.

Frederick Wagner, Chairman of the Search Committee, when reached this afternoon, commented, "We are very enthusiastic about him. We think that he is a very bright man. We think that he was the very best person who was available. We are convinced of that."

President J. Martin Carovanosaid, "I am obviously very pleased that he has accepted the position. I am confident that he will be a very fine Dean of Hamilton College."

Rice was unavailable at presstime.

Rice, a British subject, received his M.A. with 1st Class Honours in History from the University of Aberdeen in 1964. He then entered the University of Edinburgh, where he wrote his dissertation on 'The Scottish Factor in the Fight Against American Slavery, 1833-1861.' He was awarded his Ph.D. in 1969.

Rice has received several fellowship awards, the most recent of which include the American Philosophical Society Research Grant and the Yale Senior Faculty Fellowship. He has also had numerous articles and reviews on slavery published. In addition, Rice is now in the process of finishing both a study of Anglo-American middle-class reform from 1770-1860 and a project on the response odf the Scottish Enlightenment to slavery and savagery. Both works are scheduled for completion in 1980.

His first book, *The Rise and fall of Black Slavery*, was published in 1975. Another manuscript for a book is presently under consideration.

Rice, born io 1942, is married and has one small child.

C. Duncan Rice met with students for an informal question and answer period on May 7 when he visted the campus. Exerpts follow:

On the honor code and its future at Hamilton: "Without any intended disrespect," said Rice, "I have considerable uneasiness about any honor system at all." Rice added that having "never seen such a system" he found it "hard to imagine it would work." "I'd have to see it in operation," said Rice, "before I passed any judgement."

On distribution requirements: Rice noted that "statistics show that Hamilton students characteristically study courses outside of their major." He added that highly structured curricula, such as Harvard's recently reinstituted system of distribution requirements, are often restrictive. However, Rice stated that he favored more opportunities for gifted Hamilton students to concentrate in fields of study incorporating cross-departmental enrollment. "There is a great tendency for educational institutions to lurch back and forward between a highly structured and loose curriculum," said Rice.

On the problem of inequities in the faculty profile: Rice stated that the absence of a significant amount of women and minorities on the faculty is "indeed a problem," and that there is "a need to remedy the situation." He noted, however, that Hamilton faces a number of problems in attempting to attract qualified applicants from such groups. "Most qualified women and minority applicants don't want to come to Hamilton," said Rice, "due to their suspicions about the absence of other members of their groups and the relative isolation of the campus. Quite apart from the ethical problem, it's bad marketing to be in a situation of attempting to attract qualified people to teach students who are not in a position to understand their concerns."